

MONTHLY STATISTICAL SUMMARY FOR WESTERN AUSTRALIA - DECEMBER, 1962

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POPULATION ESTIMATES

Whole State: at 30.6.1962

Males - 384,132 Females - 370,345 Persons - 754,477

Metropolitan: at 30.6.1962

Persons - 431,000

MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS

Particulars	NOVEMBER				Eleven Months ended NOVEMBER			
	1962		1961		1962		1961	
	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)
Marriages	471	7.51	426	6.97	5,037	7.28	4,751	7.04
Births	1,273	20.30	1,317	21.54	15,827	22.88	15,819	23.43
Deaths	475	7.57	451	7.38	5,480	7.92	5,285	7.83
Infant Mort- ality (b)	38	29.85	26	19.74	358	22.62	307	19.41

(a) Equivalent annual rate per 1,000 of population except for Infant Mortality which represents rate per 1,000 live births.

(b) Deaths under one year.

TRADE OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA (OVERSEA AND INTERSTATE)

Expressed in Terms of Australian Currency

Item	IMPORTS				EXPORTS (including Ships' Stores)			
	NOVEMBER		Five Months ended NOVEMBER		NOVEMBER		Five Months ended NOVEMBER	
	1962	1961	1962	1961	1962	1961	1962	1961
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Oversea	5,130	4,798	22,722	20,318	8,625	15,092	47,898	64,479
Interstate	11,381	11,304	57,735	46,018	3,369	3,078	18,580	18,834
Total:	16,511	16,102	80,457	66,336	11,994	18,170	66,478	83,313

LAND SETTLEMENT

Crown Land Transactions	DECEMBER		Twelve Months ended DECEMBER	
	1962	1961	1962	1961
	acres	acres	acres	acres
Land Conditionally Alienated	34,917	127,311	1,234,516	1,020,290
Pastoral, Special and Miscellaneous Leases Issued by Lands Department	319,323	30,416	16,445,001	6,778,902

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE : CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND

Item	DECEMBER		Six Months ended DECEMBER	
	1962	1961	1962	1961
	£	£	£	£
Revenue	7,047,132	6,938,976	35,497,841	37,534,406
Revenue per Head of Population	9.2	9.3	46.7	50.6
Expenditure	6,599,098	6,909,900	39,544,820	38,369,144
Expenditure per Head of Population	8.6	9.3	52.0	51.8

SAVINGS BANKS

Amounts due to Depositors	At the end of DECEMBER		
	1962	1961	1960
	£	£	£
Total	97,551,593	85,515,601	80,544,758
Per Head of Population	127.5	114.6	110.2

TRADING BANKS

Year	Average Weekly Clearings (£ million)											
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1960	21.4	22.0	22.3	19.4	22.3	21.7	21.7	21.7	22.7	23.8	24.0	25.5
1961	25.5	22.7	23.4	23.5	24.0	21.6	23.1	21.6	23.2	24.6	23.8	26.9
1962	25.9	26.5	26.4	24.8	25.9	24.1	26.3	24.6	24.8	27.2	26.3	27.1

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Registrations effected at the Office of Land Titles and Deeds		DECEMBER		Six Months ended DECEMBER	
		1962	1961	1962	1961
Transfers	No.	1,697	1,787	12,317	10,438
	£	3,874,504	2,820,839	28,047,424	18,774,489
Mortgages	No.	1,411	1,426	9,532	8,273
	£	3,558,167	3,052,272	24,134,763	17,548,580
Discharges of Mortgages	No.	968	1,017	7,063	6,308

SALE OF GOODS AND SALES TAX COLLECTED

Item	Period of Receipt of Return			
	DECEMBER		Six Months ended DECEMBER	
	1962	1961	1962	1961
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Sales Exempt from Tax	12,843	8,833	83,471	68,539
Net Taxable Sales	4,999	4,266	33,220	28,125
Tax Collected	672	600	4,492	4,206

COMPANIES REGISTERED

Type of Company		DECEMBER		Six Months ended DECEMBER	
		1962	1961	1962	1961
Local	No.	20	34	266	195
Nominal Capital	£	2,685,000	6,142,000	25,107,000	16,378,000
Foreign	No.	2	38	80	100

BANKRUPTCY

Item	Six Months ended DECEMBER					
	1962			1961		
	No.	Liabilities	Assets	No.	Liabilities	Assets
		£	£		£	£
Sequestration Orders	85	133,206	19,715	78	127,509	35,929
Compositions, Assignments and Deeds of Arrangement (a)	43	181,639	154,335	55	217,602	183,701

(a) Under Parts XI and XII of Bankruptcy Act.

RAILWAY OPERATIONS

The State Government Railways (including the Railway Road Service)

Item	NOVEMBER		Five Months ended NOVEMBER	
	1962	1961	1962	1961
Gross Earnings	£ 1,135,700	1,352,300	6,221,700	7,265,100
Operating Expenses	£ 1,319,262	1,337,501	6,561,687	6,724,277
Train Miles Run	596,336	636,493	3,055,729	3,350,646
Motor Bus Miles	(a) 121,778	(b) 116,428	(c) 572,760	(d) 538,425
<u>Passenger Journeys -</u>				
Train	916,097	869,541	5,018,949	5,176,913
Motor Bus	22,057	19,414	113,966	107,118
<u>Tonnage Carried -</u>				
Goods (excl. Livestock) -				
Paying	279,189	398,872	1,586,607	2,094,863
Free (Departmental)	60,720	46,036	278,642	249,358
Livestock	14,247	14,304	66,917	67,297
Total	354,156	459,212	1,932,166	2,411,518
<u>Net Ton Mileage of -</u>				
Goods (excl. Livestock) -				
Paying	46,766,111	56,749,556	254,898,009	317,543,104
Free (Departmental)	5,557,747	5,489,042	28,825,715	28,597,942
Livestock	1,963,838	2,115,887	9,535,670	9,760,800
Total	54,287,696	64,354,485	293,259,394	355,901,846

(a) 4 weeks ended 3rd November

(c) Period 1st July to 3rd November

(b) 4 weeks ended 4th November

(d) Period 1st July to 4th November

MINE PRODUCTION OF GOLD (a)

Item	NOVEMBER		Eleven Months ended NOVEMBER	
	1962	1961	1962	1961
Quantity	Fine oz. 69,229	74,824	783,797	791,474
Value (Aust. Currency)	£ 1,081,710	1,169,121	12,246,837	12,366,775
Dividends reported by Gold Mining Companies	£ 343,632	237,500	1,505,858	1,491,526

(a) Including gold contained in gold-bearing materials exported. Value is in terms of Australian currency, excluding amounts realized by the Gold Producers' Association Limited on sales of Western Australian gold and amount of subsidy paid by the Commonwealth Government.

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS

(1) NEW VEHICLES REGISTERED

Period	Metropolitan Traffic Area					Whole State (a)				
	Cars	Station Wagons	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses	Motor Cycles	Cars	Station Wagons	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses	Motor Cycles
1957	5,639	228	1,856	35	1,007	9,865	370	4,385	71	1,447
1958	5,794	762	1,942	15	1,306	9,548	1,290	4,784	43	1,860
1959	5,957	1,205	2,454	20	1,615	9,785	1,962	5,684	55	2,187
1960	8,172	1,774	2,403	27	1,053	12,713	2,951	5,655	66	1,470
1961	6,947	1,871	2,221	30	591	10,670	3,228	5,104	70	903
1961 -										
November	655	155	190	4	51	1,031	290	497	5	71
December	591	176	187	4	50	1,001	335	447	6	84
1962 -										
January	635	166	158	-	75	979	290	390	4	94
February	759	172	246	4	63	1,105	302	486	17	92
March	848	237	271	3	68	1,208	389	577	8	94
April	737	182	205	4	40	1,122	300	456	8	64
May	980	295	281	6	68	1,354	418	552	13	87
June	1,173	274	282	3	41	1,669	447	538	8	71
July	778	250	238	6	42	1,206	386	529	8	62
August	1,131	329	214	5	37	1,709	475	457	7	54
September	976	328	214	2	46	1,473	520	462	11	59
October	1,140	386	232	4	71	1,696	576	572	6	94
November	1,051	348	248	4	40	1,619	580	561	6	56

(2) MOTOR VEHICLES IN USE (EFFECTIVE REGISTRATIONS)

Date (as at end of Month)	Metropolitan Traffic Area				Whole State (a)			
	Cars (including Station Wagons)	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses	Motor Cycles	Cars (including Station Wagons)	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses	Motor Cycles
1958 -								
June	69,414	24,217	553	8,580	110,573	65,046	1,190	12,827
December	73,190	24,908	545	8,759	114,685	65,582	1,177	12,935
1959 -								
June	75,203	25,222	584	9,080	118,112	66,617	1,213	13,411
December	78,759	25,955	571	9,416	123,293	68,017	1,191	13,559
1960 -								
June	81,636	26,058	554	9,422	127,863	69,131	1,194	13,609
December	86,582	26,507	561	9,068	134,220	70,320	1,220	13,097
1961 -								
June	89,189	26,699	565	8,703	138,187	70,908	1,237	12,689
December	93,110	27,135	576	8,486	143,827	71,934	1,264	12,244
1962 -								
January	94,350	27,325	576	8,530	143,365	70,646	1,154	12,004
February	94,838	27,343	575	8,489	144,999	71,482	1,265	12,096
March	95,316	27,363	575	8,443	146,507	72,227	1,272	12,164
April	96,419	27,495	582	8,440	147,078	71,880	1,272	11,954
May	97,079	27,502	585	8,369	149,071	72,848	1,284	12,041
June	97,977	27,490	585	8,285	151,013	73,454	1,294	12,052
July	100,562	27,996	594	8,244	150,433	71,627	1,290	11,588
August	101,532	27,960	599	8,152	152,559	71,950	1,286	11,480
September	102,363	27,960	604	8,121	154,890	72,729	1,295	11,587
October	104,137	28,200	608	8,144	156,142	72,604	1,294	11,411
November	104,858	28,165	614	8,113	158,540	73,771	1,305	11,563

(a) Includes Commonwealth-owned vehicles other than those of Defence Services.

BUILDING PERMITS AND APPROVALS

Period	New Houses and Flats				Other New Buildings			Grand Total, including Additions & Alterations		
	Private	Govt.	Total		Private	Govt.	Total	Private	Govt.	Total
	No.	No.	No.	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
1960-61	4,791	1,327	6,118	18,860	6,566	7,531	14,097	24,924	11,143	36,067
1961-62	5,016	1,867	6,883	21,711	6,010	8,690	14,700	25,365	14,468	39,883
1961:										
December	327	245	572	1,770	435	931	1,366	1,764	1,609	3,373
1962:										
January	304	122	426	1,369	255	334	589	1,432	771	2,203
February	461	199	660	2,015	373	279	652	2,045	884	2,929
March	468	254	722	2,177	472	615	1,087	2,199	1,346	3,545
April	388	106	494	1,595	630	267	897	2,154	598	2,752
May	499	104	603	1,935	487	760	1,247	2,427	1,158	3,585
June	405	81	486	1,638	577	962	1,539	2,201	1,250	3,451
July	500	116	616	1,985	1,035	1,021	2,056	2,952	1,407	4,359
August	444	148	592	2,060	794	515	1,309	2,838	941	3,779
September	458	125	583	1,904	475	462	937	2,347	825	3,172
October	540	225	765	2,367	691	575	1,266	2,895	1,122	4,017
November	375	114	489	1,615	* 584	286	* 870	* 2,155	627	* 2,782
December	376	52	428	1,423	647	558	1,205	2,160	726	2,886

* Revised

BUILDING OPERATIONS

The figures in the following two tables cover the operations of all builders who accept contracts for the construction of new buildings, "day-labour" building by Government Agencies and the activities of "Owner-Builders".

(1) NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED

Period	Dwellings (a)				Factories		Other		Total	
	Owner-Built		By Contractors etc.							
	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
		£'000		£'000		£'000		£'000		£'000
1957	1,401	4,086	4,748	13,680	100	1,110	714	6,450	6,963	25,326
1958	1,371	3,884	4,638	13,978	146	1,851	714	10,735	6,869	30,448
1959	1,452	3,880	4,657	14,134	138	986	731	9,376	6,978	28,376
1960	1,103	3,013	5,363	16,859	161	2,224	814	11,797	7,441	33,893
1961	1,075	2,963	5,258	17,272	126	1,744	858	10,965	7,317	32,944
1962 -										
March Qr.	278	778	1,117	3,717	29	217	230	2,977	1,654	7,689
June Qr.	247	743	1,451	5,201	26	263	228	3,807	1,952	10,014
Sept. Qr.	202	666	1,725	5,844	53	597	261	5,632	2,241	12,739

(a) Includes Shop Dwellings, Flats and Other Residentials excluded from Table (2) below.

(2) HOUSE CONSTRUCTION

(Includes Owner-Built Houses)

Period	Houses Completed - Classified according to Material of Outer Walls									
	Brick, Stone Cement etc.		Wood or Mainly Wood		Fibro-Cement or Mainly Fibro-Cement		Other		Total	
	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
		£'000		£'000		£'000		£'000		£'000
1957	3,773	12,159	28	67	2,139	4,890	6	9	5,946	17,125
1958	3,764	12,501	41	115	1,935	4,547	3	4	5,743	17,167
1959	3,762	12,327	28	58	2,066	4,780	6	13	5,862	17,178
1960	4,582	14,972	21	60	1,573	3,911	5	7	6,181	18,950
1961	4,287	14,834	15	32	1,459	3,820	103	82	5,864	18,768
1962 -										
March Qr.	984	3,367	9	20	324	850	3	4	1,320	4,241
June Qr.	1,244	4,291	59	314	324	947	4	8	1,631	5,561
Sept. Qr.	1,446	5,141	8	21	322	904	3	9	1,779	6,075

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
PERTH METROPOLITAN AREA

(Base of Each Index Series : Year 1952-53 = 100)

Period	Group Index Numbers					Com- bined Index (All Groups)
	Food	Clothing and Drapery	Housing	Household Supplies and Equipment	Mis- cellan- eous	
Year ended June						
1958	114.4	105.7	126.0	105.7	118.3	113.6
1959	115.2	107.2	130.3	105.9	118.7	114.7
1960	118.4	108.2	133.5	107.1	120.9	116.9
1961	124.4	110.8	141.7	107.3	125.2	121.2
1962	123.5	111.7	146.4	107.3	125.3	121.6
Quarters:						
1961 - March	125.3	110.9	143.5	107.4	125.8	121.9
June	126.4	111.6	144.8	107.0	125.6	122.4
September	123.8	111.6	145.1	107.5	125.7	121.7
December	122.5	111.9	145.5	107.4	125.5	121.3
1962 - March	123.4	111.8	147.1	107.1	124.9	121.5
June	124.2	111.5	147.8	107.2	124.9	121.8
September	124.7	111.7	148.8	107.2	124.8	122.1
December	122.8	111.8	150.9	106.9	124.9	121.7

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT (a)

(Excluding Wage Earners in Rural Industry, Female Private
Domestics and Personnel in Defence Forces.)

(Thousands)

Month	Males	Females	Persons	Month	Males	Females	Persons
1960:				1961 (Cont.):			
December	143.8	51.2	195.0	December	143.5	50.7	194.2
1961:				1962:			
January	142.8	50.0	192.8	January	144.3	50.5	194.8
February	143.1	50.4	193.5	February	145.0	51.0	196.0
March	143.1	50.7	193.8	March	146.3	52.1	198.4
April	143.3	50.8	194.1	April	145.6	52.0	197.6
May	142.8	50.6	193.4	May	146.4	52.1	198.5
June	142.2	49.9	192.1	June	146.5	51.9	198.4
July	142.0	49.9	191.9	July	146.5	51.9	198.4
August	142.9	49.9	192.8	August	146.5	51.9	198.4
September	143.6	50.1	193.7	September	147.2	52.5	199.7
October	143.0	50.4	193.4	October	147.2	52.6	199.8
November	143.9	51.0	194.9	November	147.9	53.5	201.4

(a) Figures subsequent to June, 1961 are subject to revision.

INDEX OF FACTORY EMPLOYMENT (a)

(Base: 1928/29 - 19,799 Employees = 100)

Month	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962
January	241	232	231	229	234	242	244
February	241	235	233	231	237	241	246
March	240	236	234	233	238	241	247
April	239	234	233	233	237	241	245
May	238	234	230	232	238	239	247
June	235	231	228	229	237	236	246
July	231	229	229	231	239	234	247
August	230	229	229	232	240	237	247
September	233	232	230	233	243	240	249
October	233	232	232	234	242	241	250
November	233	233	231	235	244	242	251
December	232	232	231	235	243	242	

(a) Figures subsequent to June, 1961 are subject to revision.

STATE BASIC WAGE

Date of Operation	Metropolitan Area			South-West Land Division			Goldfields and Rest of State		
	Male			Female			Male		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
30/10/61(a)	14.	18.	9	11.	4.	1	14.	17.	3
							11.	2.	11
							14.	11.	6
							10.	18.	8

(a) The rates declared to operate from this date have not subsequently been varied.

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERINGS AND MEAT PRODUCTION

(1) SLAUGHTERINGS (Number)

Period	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Lambs	Pigs
November, 1962	20,776	2,315	193,243	86,604	23,691
1961	14,602	1,613	134,383	88,542	21,905
5 Months ended November, 1962	115,292	11,050	728,958	478,997	117,083
1961	93,635	7,151	628,033	629,367	117,212

(2) MEAT PRODUCTION (a) (Tons)

Period	Beef	Veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pork
November, 1962	4,089	108	3,554	1,218	1,166
1961	3,166	74	2,602	1,289	1,138
5 Months ended November, 1962	22,984	511	13,501	6,505	5,744
1961	20,325	334	12,300	9,117	6,088

(a) Dressed carcass weight of livestock slaughtered for local consumption and export - includes meat used in smallgoods, canned meat, and bacon and ham.

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

The term "Metropolitan" refers to the Metropolitan Traffic Area

Period	Non-Casualty Accidents (a)		Casualty Accidents		Total Accidents (a)		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	Metro-politan	Whole State	Metro-politan	Whole State	Metro-politan	Whole State	Metro-politan	Whole State	Metro-politan	Whole State
1957	6,150	8,343	2,244	3,220	8,394	11,563	87	152	2,733	4,068
1958	6,614	8,691	2,412	3,451	9,026	12,142	80	183	2,990	4,478
1959	6,349	8,492	2,474	3,521	8,823	12,013	86	171	3,135	4,624
1960	7,180	9,559	2,598	3,713	9,778	13,272	94	199	3,289	4,862
1961	4,221	6,111	2,391	3,528	6,612	9,639	79	172	3,110	4,779
11 Months ended November 1961	3,816	5,531	2,164	3,187	5,980	8,718	73	155	2,779	4,275
1962	4,104	5,973	2,309	3,306	6,413	9,279	76	160	3,006	4,486
1962										
January	338	505	187	292	525	797	6	26	239	396
February	340	472	220	304	560	776	6	12	276	399
March	347	503	223	324	570	827	9	17	285	424
April	364	515	169	268	533	783	8	20	225	396
May	392	585	216	303	608	888	9	17	275	403
June	352	510	216	297	568	807	9	16	272	397
July	430	621	230	317	660	938	6	9	330	454
August	349	545	185	261	534	806	5	10	246	354
September	394	569	208	298	602	867	5	7	265	396
October	391	568	219	305	610	873	5	11	291	417
November	407	580	236	337	643	917	8	15	302	450

(a) Non-casualty accidents prior to 1961 exclude those where estimated damage was £10 or less; from January, 1961 they exclude those where estimated damage was £25 or less.

AVERAGE FRUIT AND VEGETABLE PRICES (METROPOLITAN MARKETS)

Note - The average prices shown in this table have been computed from a systematic sample of auctioneers' records of fruit and vegetables sold on the auction floor at each sale conducted at the Metropolitan Markets. Where the volume of sales of a particular commodity in any month outside its recognized season does not reach a significant proportion of sales for the year, a price has not been shown.

Item	Unit	1961	1962											
		Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
FRUIT		s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Lemons	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	34. 2	27. 2	26. 0	20. 1	19. 2	15. 0	10. 4	10. 5	8. 1	9. 8	9. 4	12. 0	14. 3
Oranges - Navel	bush.	-	-	-	-	47. 1	36. 0	22. 2	27.11	31.11	35. 2	-	-	-
- Val.	bush.	31.11	35. 4	31. 0	30.11	43. 5	30. 9	-	-	-	23.10	22. 7	21. 7	21. 8
Bananas - Local	lb.	1. 1	10	9	10	11	11	1. 2	1. 1	1. 1	1. 1	1. 1	1. 0	1. 1
Apples - G.Smith	bush.	45.10	-	-	20. 6	25.10	26. 0	28. 5	32. 5	30.11	49. 9	51. 6	49. 6	49. 1
- Other	bush.	39. 5	30. 3	27. 7	25. 2	33. 7	34. 0	37. 8	48. 2	54.10	62. 3	64. 0	67. 8	57. 5
Pears	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	-	30. 0	20. 9	19. 4	19. 0	20. 2	25. 6	22. 4	-	-	-	-	-
Apricots	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	31. 5	39. 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40. 0	30. 8
Nectarines	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	-	26. 6	29. 0	25. 4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Plums	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	29. 4	30. 2	29.10	34.11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35.10
Peaches	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	29.11	28.10	21. 0	20.10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23. 5
Grapes	Open flat cases	29. 3	22. 7	23. 0	22. 5	22. 2	27. 0	-	-	-	-	-	-	33. 0
VEGETABLES														
Cabbage	crate	6. 6	9. 5	15. 4	10. 4	6. 6	4.11	5.11	14. 2	10. 2	12. 0	8. 3	4. 7	4. 5
Cauliflowers	dozen	13. 2	-	18. 0	26. 8	9. 0	16. 0	24. 1	24. 1	9. 2	10. 5	22.11	18. 1	17. 2
Lettuce	crate	6. 9	14. 8	24. 5	11. 7	7. 1	7.10	9. 9	20. 5	12.10	5. 9	5.11	6. 2	11. 1
Table Celery	doz. head	9. 4	8. 6	11. 3	12. 0	8. 0	4. 6	4. 7	7. 2	9. 0	8. 5	7. 7	10. 9	7. 7
Beetroot	cwt.	19. 3	27. 8	38. 3	36. 3	28. 5	23. 5	23. 3	33. 6	31. 9	39.10	39. 6	22. 6	16. 9
Carrots	cwt.	22. 6	27. 1	36. 0	34. 0	40. 9	30. 1	23. 6	19.10	20. 7	26. 0	35. 4	34. 8	31. 1
Parsnips	cwt.	31. 4	41. 1	76. 6	69. 5	67. 6	66. 1	63. 8	47. 8	40. 9	35. 0	38.11	28. 4	33. 9
Turnips	$\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.bag	8. 1	10. 3	12.10	7. 3	5. 3	6. 3	8. 7	17. 3	7. 6	4.10	5. 2	5. 2	5.10
Swedes	cwt.	23. 5	28. 1	55.10	46. 4	31. 9	34. 7	42. 0	35. 9	28. 6	24. 0	32. 6	24.10	23. 4
Runner Beans	lb.	10	1. 8	1. 8	8	9	1. 0	1. 2	1. 2	1. 5	1. 3	1. 1	10	8
Peas	lb.	1. 3	1. 6	1. 9	1. 9	1. 1	1. 4	1. 8	1. 7	1. 1	10	10	10	10
Sweet Potatoes	lb.	7	9	7	5	5	4	4	5	5	6	5	4	4
Pumpkin	bag	34. 0	26. 6	22. 1	23.11	23.11	20. 4	20. 2	21.10	19. 2	21.11	21. 3	25. 2	38. 9
Tomatoes	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	26. 8	19. 1	27. 6	21. 9	11. 8	10. 1	25.11	33. 1	27. 8	21. 3	24. 2	27. 8	23. 8
		£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.
Onions (a)	ton	50. 0.0	50. 0.0	50. 0.0	50. 0.0	50. 0.0	50. 0.0	55. 0.0	55. 0.0	50. 0.0	40. 0.0	(b)	(b)	30. 0.0
Potatoes (c)	ton	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0

(a) W.A. Onion Marketing Board's price to Merchants, delivered Metropolitan Area.

(b) Onion Pool closed.

(c) W.A. Potato Marketing Board's price to Merchants, F.O.R. Perth.

AVERAGE PRICES PER HEAD OF LIVESTOCK - GOOD QUALITY - SOLD AT THE MIDLAND JUNCTION SALEYARDS

Note - A price has not been shown where the volume of sales of a particular item was not significant for that month.

Item	1961	1962											
	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
SHEEP													
Suckers	3. 6. 2	-	-	-	-	-	4.16. 5	5. 1. 8	3.17. 1	3. 2. 9	3. 1.10	3. 5. 3	3. 2. 1
Lambs													
In Wool	-	-	-	-	4.15. 3	4.16. 0	5.12. 8	5. 9. 0	3.19. 7	-	-	-	-
Shorn	2.14. 3	3. 5. 3	3.12. 4	4. 2. 3	3.17. 5	4. 0. 6	4.10. 8	4. 4.10	3. 4. 2	-	2.10. 2	3. 0. 7	3. 9. 1
Hoggets													
In Wool	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Shorn	-	2.17. 8	3. 4. 7	3.11.11	-	3.16. 9	-	-	-	2.12. 3	2.12. 6	2.16.11	-
Ewes													
In Wool	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.16. 8	3.18.10	3. 4. 7	-	2. 6. 5	-	-
Shorn	2. 3. 3	2. 8. 8	2.12. 0	2.12. 3	2.14.10	3. 4. 8	2.18.10	2.16. 2	2. 3. 4	1.18. 9	1.14. 0	1.14. 7	1.14. 2
Wethers													
In Wool	-	-	-	3.16. 5	4. 0. 5	3.15. 9	4. 6. 0	4.14. 3	3.18. 0	-	-	-	-
Shorn	2.13.10	2.16. 6	3. 2. 7	3. 2. 9	2.19. 7	3. 5. 6	3. 3. 8	3.11. 8	2. 8. 0	2.10. 8	2. 6. 8	2. 7.10	2. 7. 4
CATTLE													
Baby Beef	33. 5. 5	33. 6.10	33.17.11	34.17. 8	34. 0. 1	34.19. 4	36. 6. 3	35.18. 9	38.14. 6	38.14. 4	37.13.10	34. 9. 4	32.19. 1
Heifers	-	-	34.12. 5	36.14. 5	-	36. 6. 6	40.16. 0	43.10.11	42.14.10	40.14.11	-	-	-
Cows	41.10. 3	43. 0. 5	40.18. 8	42.18.11	44. 0. 4	42. 6. 9	45.10. 5	42.10. 8	45.18. 7	43. 8. 8	40.12. 0	39.14. 0	38.18. 1
Steers	47. 3. 6	46. 4. 8	45. 9.11	45.15. 4	47.11. 5	45.16. 2	54. 0.10	52. 5. 3	50. 3. 7	49.14. 7	44. 8. 0	45. 8. 9	45.12.11
Bullocks	53.14.11	-	-	-	-	-	63. 9. 3	56.16. 4	58.14. 7	52.12. 0	51. 2. 5	53.15. 5	53.19. 9
PIGS													
Slips	-	-	3.11. 8	-	-	-	-	3.15. 0	4.15. 6	6. 1. 3	-	-	-
Porkers	8. 0.11	7. 7. 8	8. 1. 6	8.10. 4	8. 4. 1	8. 3.11	8.17. 6	8.17.10	9. 9. 6	10.12. 7	10.15. 0	11. 3. 4	10.11. 0
Baconers	11. 0. 0	11. 3.11	11. 0. 4	12.13. 4	12. 0. 7	11.14. 1	12.18. 6	13.16. 2	14. 8.11	14.16.11	15.11. 4	16. 2. 7	15. 5. 8

AVERAGE PRICES OF POULTRY PER LB. (LIVWEIGHT) - SOLD AT THE METROPOLITAN MARKETS

Turkey Hens	4.8	-	-	-	3.5	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.3	2.10	2.10	3.1
" Cocks	4.1	-	-	3.4	3.4	3.1	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.1	3.0	3.0
Ducks	3.0	2.3	2.2	2.1	1.10	1.10	1.11	2.2	2.3	2.6	2.8	2.11	3.5
Drakes	3.3	2.4	2.1	2.1	1.11	1.10	2.0	2.1	2.3	2.6	2.9	3.1	3.4
Geese	2.8	-	-	-	-	2.0	1.10	-	1.8	-	1.7	-	2.0
Cockerels	3.0	2.8	2.8	2.10	3.0	2.10	2.9	2.9	2.8	2.6	2.5	2.7	2.5
Capons	3.2	2.9	2.10	3.0	3.1	3.0	3.0	2.11	2.10	2.8	2.6	2.7	2.6
Hens	1.10	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.2	1.11	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	1.11	2.0

INSTALMENT CREDIT OPERATIONS OF RETAIL BUSINESSES AND NON-RETAIL FINANCE BUSINESSES

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(£'000)

Period	Amount Financed during period (excluding Hiring Charges, Interest and Insurance)				Balances Outstanding at end of period (including Hiring Charges, etc.)
	Motor Vehicles, Tractors, etc.	Plant and Machinery	Household and Personal Goods (a)	Total (All Goods)	
HIRE PURCHASE					
1960-61	14,568	2,021	7,789	24,378	38,050
1961-62	15,175	2,634	6,493	24,302	38,154
Quarters -					
1961 - June	3,095	351	1,900	5,346	38,050
September	3,151	380	1,664	5,195	37,459
December	3,520	1,041	1,971	6,532	38,598
1962 - March	3,815	595	1,421	5,831	36,917
June	4,689	618	1,437	6,744	38,154
ALL OTHER INSTALMENT CREDIT (b)					
1960-61	1,155	43	6,398	7,596	5,982
1961-62	1,194	49	6,245	7,488	8,193
Quarters -					
1961 - June	215	10	1,408	1,633	5,982
September	223	14	1,507	1,744	6,358
December	240	11	1,614	1,865	7,006
1962 - March	352	11	1,445	1,808	7,435
June	379	13	1,679	2,071	8,193
TOTAL INSTALMENT CREDIT					
1960-61	15,723	2,064	14,187	31,974	44,032
1961-62	16,369	2,683	12,738	31,790	46,347
Quarters -					
1961 - June	3,310	361	3,308	6,979	44,032
September	3,374	394	3,171	6,939	43,817
December	3,760	1,052	3,585	8,397	45,604
1962 - March	4,167	606	2,866	7,639	44,352
June	5,068	631	3,116	8,815	46,347

(a) See footnote (a) below. (b) Includes Time Payment, Budget Account, Personal Loan Schemes, etc.

INSTALMENT CREDIT OPERATIONS OF NON-RETAIL FINANCE BUSINESSES

(£'000)

Period	Amount Financed during period (excluding Hiring Charges, Interest and Insurance)				Collections during period (including Hiring Charges etc.)	Balances Outstanding at end of period (incl. Hiring Charges etc.)	
	Motor Vehicles, Tractors, etc.		Plant and Machinery	Household and Personal Goods (a)			Total (All Goods)
	New	Used					
1960-61	13,491		1,565	2,431	17,487	25,511	
1961-62	14,290		2,298	2,299	18,887	27,071	
1961 - October	542	520	534	218	1,814	25,690	
November	716	505	290	260	1,771	26,115	
December	512	492	130	275	1,409	26,378	
1962 - January	565	649	121	222	1,557	26,209	
February	576	545	150	169	1,440	25,012	
March	710	602	255	152	1,719	25,230	
April	669	636	197	145	1,647	*25,751	
May	995	713	211	189	2,108	*26,499	
June	757	743	125	177	1,802	*27,071	
July						27,600(c)	
August	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	28,200(c)	
September						28,800(c)	

(a) Includes furniture and furnishings, domestic refrigerators, electrical goods, radios, musical instruments, bicycles and other household and personal goods. (b) Not yet available
(c) Preliminary estimates. * Revised.

RETAIL SALES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO COMMODITY GROUPS

(& million)

Period (a)	Groceries	Butchers' Meat	Other Food-stuffs, Soft Drinks	Beer, Wine and Spirits	Clothing, Drapery, Soft Furnishings	Footwear	Hardware, China and Glassware (b)	Electrical Goods, Pianos, etc.	Furniture, Floor Coverings, Mattresses	Chemists' Goods	News-papers, Books, Stationery	Other Goods (c)	Total (excl. Motor Vehicles, etc.)	Motor Vehicles, Tractors, Parts, Petrol, etc. (d)
1957-58	27.4	12.0	19.4	19.5	28.6(e)	(e)	10.1	8.2	6.5	(f)	(f)	31.8(f)	163.5	56.9
1958-59	28.7	11.1	19.4	18.4	25.1	4.3	10.7	8.7	6.5	5.6	4.7	21.2	164.4	55.3
1959-60	30.8	11.6	21.7	19.1	27.4	4.7	11.9	13.8	7.7	6.0	4.9	22.6	182.2	66.7
1960-61	32.6	12.4	22.6	20.6	27.7	5.0	12.4	15.5	7.8	6.7	5.0	23.5	191.8	68.7
1961-62	35.1	12.9	23.5	21.1	29.0	5.1	13.0	14.2	8.4	7.1	5.4	24.7	199.5	75.1
Sept. Qr.														
1957	6.6	3.1	4.5	4.2	6.7(e)	(e)	2.5	1.9	1.6	(f)	(f)	7.0(f)	38.1	13.7
1958	7.0	2.8	4.5	4.0	6.0	1.0	2.5	1.9	1.6	1.3	1.1	4.4	38.1	13.1
1959	7.5	2.9	4.9	4.2	6.3	1.1	2.7	2.5	1.7	1.4	1.1	4.5	40.8	14.8
1960	7.7	3.0	5.3	4.4	6.7	1.2	3.0	3.9	2.1	1.6	1.1	4.9	44.9	18.3
1961	8.6	3.2	5.5	4.5	7.2	1.2	3.1	3.5	2.0	1.7	1.2	4.8	46.5	16.3
1962	8.8	3.4	5.8	4.8	7.2	1.2	3.5	3.4	2.2	1.9	1.3	5.3	*48.8	20.8
Dec. Qr.														
1957	7.2	3.0	5.0	5.3	8.5(e)	(e)	2.9	2.6	1.8	(f)	(f)	8.1(f)	44.4	14.9
1958	7.6	2.7	5.0	5.2	7.2	1.2	3.0	2.9	1.8	1.5	1.3	5.2	44.6	14.1
1959	8.0	2.9	5.6	5.2	7.8	1.3	3.3	3.6	2.1	1.6	1.4	5.5	48.3	17.1
1960	8.6	3.1	5.9	5.8	8.0	1.4	3.6	4.2	2.3	1.8	1.4	5.8	51.9	18.7
1961	9.4	3.3	6.1	5.9	8.1	1.4	3.6	4.1	2.3	1.9	1.5	6.1	53.7	18.5
March Qr.														
1958	6.7	2.9	5.0	5.4	6.0(e)	(e)	2.4	2.0	1.5	(f)	(f)	8.5(f)	40.4	14.2
1959	7.0	2.7	5.2	5.0	5.1	0.9	2.6	2.0	1.5	1.3	1.2	5.5	40.0	13.9
1960	7.5	2.8	5.8	5.2	6.0	1.0	2.9	3.6	1.9	1.4	1.3	6.3	45.7	16.9
1961	8.0	3.1	6.1	5.9	5.7	1.1	2.9	3.6	1.6	1.6	1.3	6.6	47.5	15.7
1962	8.4	3.1	6.2	5.9	6.2	1.1	3.1	3.4	2.0	1.7	1.4	6.7	49.2	19.4
June Qr.														
1958	6.9	3.0	4.9	4.6	7.4(e)	(e)	2.3	1.7	1.6	(f)	(f)	8.2(f)	40.6	14.1
1959	7.1	2.9	4.7	4.2	6.8	1.2	2.6	1.9	1.6	1.5	1.1	6.1	41.7	14.2
1960	7.8	3.0	5.4	4.5	7.3	1.3	3.0	4.1	2.0	1.6	1.1	6.3	47.4	17.9
1961	8.3	3.2	5.3	4.5	7.3	1.3	2.9	3.8	1.8	1.7	1.2	6.2	47.5	16.0
1962	8.7	3.3	5.7	4.8	7.5	1.4	3.2	3.2	2.1	1.8	1.3	7.1	50.1	20.9

(a) Figures subsequent to June 1957 are subject to revision. (b) Excludes basic building materials (e.g. Timber, Building Sheets, Tiles, Joinery, Cement). (c) Includes Tobacco, Cigarettes, Grain and Produce, Jewellery, Office Equipment, etc. (d) Excludes Farm Machinery and Implements, Earth-moving Equipment, etc. (e) Footwear is included with Clothing, Drapery, Soft Furnishings. (f) Chemists' Goods and Papers, Books, Stationery are included with Other Goods. * Revised.

COMMODITIES PRODUCED

Item	Unit	NOVEMBER		Five Months ended NOVEMBER	
		1962	1961	1962	1961
<u>Building Materials, etc.</u>					
Bath Heaters - solid fuel	number	421	358	2,425	2,226
Bricks - Standard all types	'000	11,798	10,506	56,043	51,044
Fibrous Plaster - Sheets	'000 sq. yds.	132	126	701	577
" " - Acoustic Tiles	sq. yds.	1,141	3,243	8,810	11,163
Lime (Quicklime)	ton	2,213	2,128	13,480	11,632
Plaster of Paris	"	1,704	1,953	9,616	7,757
Ready-Mixed Paints and Enamels excluding Water Paints	gallon	44,119	36,315	190,443	164,311
Tiles Roofing - Cement	'000	(a)	290	(a)	1,512
Timber, Sawn (from Local Logs) (b)	'000 super. ft.	16,316	17,109	85,032	87,872
<u>Clothing</u>					
Blazers - Men's and Boys'	number	525	534	2,024	3,438
Pyjamas, Woven - Men's and Boys'	dozen	928	1,373	3,702	3,245
Shirts (all types) - Men's and Boys'	"	5,480	5,925	26,476	23,652
Suits - Men's - 2 & 3 piece	number	981	1,482	5,108	7,759
Trousers - Men's - Sport	"	9,832	11,101	49,340	42,682
- Work	"	7,553	12,248	48,045	62,429
<u>Footwear</u>					
Boots, Shoes and Sandals (all types)	pair	76,593	75,707	354,539	316,071
Slippers	"	12,274	11,234	61,700	50,050
<u>Food and Drink</u>					
Aerated Waters	'000 gallons	605	559	1,954	1,777
Cordials and Syrups	gallon	31,905	34,898	104,209	105,165
Bacon and Ham	'000 lb.	948	757	3,966	3,295
Butter	"	2,057	2,092	10,056	11,630
Cheese	"	482	441	2,113	2,015
Flour (excl. Self-raising Flour)	ton (2,000 lb.)	11,515	10,947	56,662	69,983
<u>Miscellaneous</u>					
Acid - Acetic	ton	24	28	107	123
Sulphuric	"	24,880	12,303	105,167	75,103
Coal	"	88,501	87,971	424,615	428,522
Electricity Generated	'000 kwh	97,556	90,521	502,897	456,311
Gas (Town) Produced	million sub. ft.	114	113	630	642
Mattresses - Soft Filled (c)	number	3,428	2,654	15,505	12,822
Pig Iron	ton	4,141	4,018	18,102	21,309
Superphosphate	"	68,842	33,859	297,508	203,464
Wool-Scoured	'000 lb.	3,228	3,456	13,049	13,261

(a) Not available for publication.

(b) Includes plywood veneers in terms of super. feet.

(c) Includes mattresses of rubber, plastic foam and sponge, but excludes inner-spring mattresses.

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